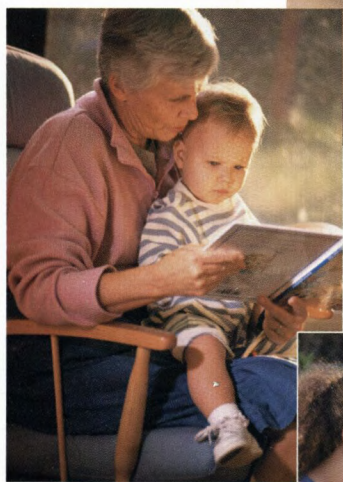
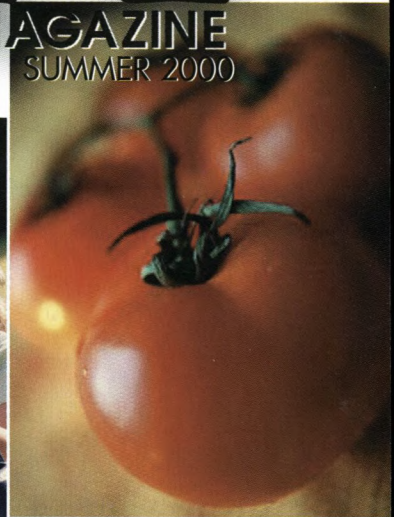


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The Allen family gathered for a reunion in Lincoln, Neb. Sara Allen Curry, P/Nebraska; Anna Allen McLean, T/Northwestern; Ginna Allen Claussen, P/Nebraska; Bette Heckenlively Allen, P/Nebraska; Julie Allen Arneson, P/Nebraska; Julie Allen Huebner, P/Nebraska; and Lisa Allen Huebner, P/Nebraska, posed for this picture.

Katie Knight, EE/Baylor, was surrounded by family on the day she pledged Theta. She posed with a yellow rose and her aunt, Nancy Schoeller Waters, EE/Baylor; her mother, Janet Schoeller Knight, BΣ/SMU; and her sister, Amy Knight Ware, EE/Baylor.



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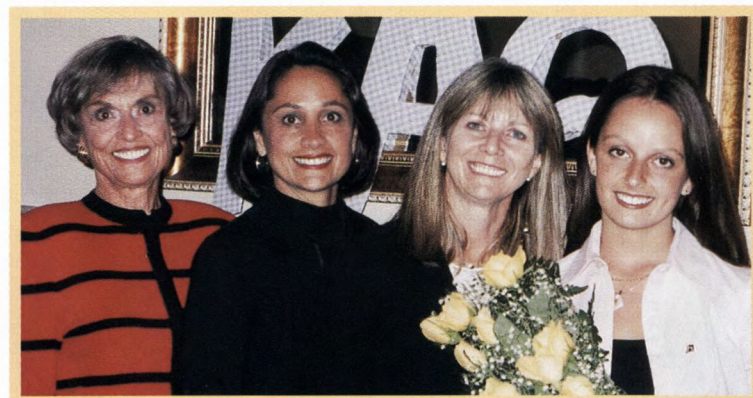
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Thank you to all who submitted photographs of their Theta families. We're sorry that we didn't have room to publish them all. We will continue to publish photos of Theta families in future issues of *The Magazine*.



Laura Lee Brother, N/Hanover; Janie-Rice Brother, EH/Centre College; and Jane-Latta Brother, ΓI/Kentucky, posed on the porch of the Epsilon Eta Chapter House after Centre's 174th commencement ceremony.

Meagan Ann Mackintosh is the 11th Theta in her family. Holding yellow roses, she posed with her grandmother, Sandra Schumacher Haas, Δ/Illinois; her mother, Nancy Haas Mackintosh, ΓΓ/Rollins; and her aunt, Carolyn Kyles Mackintosh, ΓΓ/Rollins.



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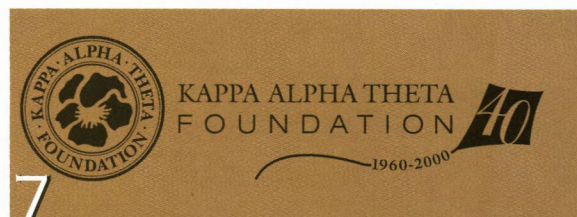
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Mea Culpa

Nobody's perfect.

There are days when I think that I should write that phrase on my forehead in permanent ink.

Everybody makes mistakes, of course; we all know that. And when you're in the editorial business and each issue of the magazine on which you work is perused by approximately 90,000 pairs of eyes, your mistakes tend to be pretty public. Even the tiniest typographical error that sneaks through the proof-reading process gets noticed by alert readers.

I love my job, though, and I'm not really whining. (Well, not much, anyway.) I'm attempting to explain why this page features alumnae chapter reports from Pittsburgh and Des Moines when the rest of the alumnae articles were published in the Spring 2000 issue.

It's because we lost the articles. It's very embarrassing.

The chapter editors submitted them on time, and we simply can't find the material. We've thoroughly searched our computer files and our hard copy files, but they're just ... gone.

Happily, I am able to assure all of you that this is the first time an error of this sort has occurred. Also happily, I am able to use this space to apologize and rectify the situation.

Now where's that pen with the permanent ink?

This issue of *The Magazine* is a slender volume, especially when compared with the 76-page spring issue. But we hope that it is no less full of material that you will find enjoyable and informative.

On page 23, our profile article features Lynn Starr Malayter, Beta Kappa/Drake. Malayter and her beloved canine companion, Murphy, are Wisconsin's first animal-assisted therapy team. They work with physical, occupational, speech, and psychological therapists, helping patients reach specific goals and measuring their progress. It's no wonder that Murphy's nickname is "Dr. Dog."

On page 20, we take a plunge into current events with an article about two Thetas who have been the subject of media attention because of their roles in

OVER THE DESKTOP

the US presidential race.

In this summer of the 28th Olympiad, we take the opportunity to feature some Theta athletes on page 16. And on page 14, we offer recruitment results from chapters across the US and Canada.

Those of you who missed the District Leadership Conferences last January and February can turn to page 17 for coverage and photos of those eight events. And we're sure that everyone will be eager to learn about Theta's latest extension efforts on page 26.

Summer is traditionally a time to relax and take it easy. For many people, the "down time" is a necessary preparation for the bustle of activity surrounding back-to-school and then the holidays. This summer, we'll be busily working on the autumn issue of *The Magazine*, which will highlight our Grand Convention in June. We're looking forward to it, and we hope you will, too.

Loyally,



Liz Appel Rinck, Γ/Butler
Editor

DES MOINES ALUMNAE ENJOY WINTRY CELEBRATION

A cold, snowy January day was the setting for Founders Day 2000 in Des Moines. About 200 Theta women, both actives and alumnae, met at the Wakonda Golf and Country Club for brunch.

Since the Des Moines Alumnae Chapter has been experimenting with interest groups—from investment to book club to after-work to gardening groups—the gathering in January was a great way to get all these groups together to celebrate being Thetas.

Collegians from the Beta Kappa Chapter at Drake University and from the Gamma Pi Chapter at Iowa State University joined alumnae of all ages and walks of life to have brunch, chat, renew old friendships, and make new acquaintances. An after-brunch speaker gave an informative address about CASA activities in Iowa. The collection

for the Friendship Fund, a ceremony honoring 50-year Thetas, and other Founders Day traditions made the morning special for all who braved the wintry weather.

PITTSBURGH ALUMNAE COLLECT TOYS FOR TOTS

The Pittsburgh Alumnae Chapter gathered in early December for its annual Holiday Fireside at the home of Greta Ceranic, Alpha Mu/Missouri. The holiday fireside has been a tradition of the Pittsburgh Thetas for decades. Last year, however, the alumnae group began collecting Toys for Tots from all those in attendance. The 1999

holiday season was a tremendous success! More than twenty-five Thetas each brought at least one toy to the party.

The next day, Anne Rocco Countouris, chapter president, and her four-year old daughter, Marika, had the privilege of delivering the toys to the United States Marine Reserve Collection Center. This project is easy, fun, and rewarding and also serves as a life lesson for our children. ■



LETTERS

REMEMBERING NORMA

Thank you very much for publishing the wonderful piece about Norma Jorgensen (WINTER 1999-2000).

I am currently the Las Cruces, NM, alumnae Panhellenic president, and I understand that Norma's support to New Mexico as an NPC advisor was immeasurable. While there is not a Theta chapter at New Mexico State University, it seems she was active in every aspect of the NMSU chapters and programs.

I also enjoyed reading about her extraordinary commitment and years of service as Theta's grand president. It is truly inspiring and encouraging to me.

Thank you again for this article and for the additional features in *The Magazine*. I look forward to reading each issue.

ALISON L. SAWYER

DELTA OMEGA/TEXAS A&M

MAKING A DIFFERENCE

As a Theta alumna, I have been reading *The Kappa Alpha Theta Magazine* faithfully for 43 years, and never have I been personally more affected by an article than I was when I read Pam Faerber's account of her fight against ovarian cancer (SUMMER 1999). I was quickly flipping through *The Magazine* when I saw the list of symptoms and warning signs at the end of the article.

As I skimmed the list, I recognized at least one that fit me. Normally, one symptom would not have alerted me, but this was different. I picked up the phone and made an appointment for my yearly Pap test and gynecological exam. It was actually a month early for this annual routine, but I did not want to wait.

The day of my exam, I discussed my symptom, and my doctor included a uterine biopsy, indicating that I could call the office later in the week for the results.

I will never forget my doctor's words when he delivered the news that the results of the biopsy showed that I had cancer of the uterus.

What followed were three of the longest weeks of my life. At the end of that period, I entered the hospital for a hysterectomy. The outcome was favorable because the tumor was encapsulated in the uterus. I am cancer-free due to early detection.

I know that Pam's message to all of us is to not be silent about ovarian cancer. I agree, but I also say let's not be

silent about any cancer!

The more we share our knowledge and experiences, the more comfortable we become in discussing this disease. The word *cancer* alone conjures up frightening images since most of us have had family members or friends who have suffered from its toll.

In her letter in the Autumn 1999 issue of *The Magazine*, Pam said, "If we help one woman through this article, it will have made a huge difference." Maybe I am that one woman, I don't know, but I can tell Pam that her story did make a big difference in my life.

Thanks to Pam for sharing her story and thanks to *The Magazine* for publishing it!

BARBIE BUTZ

GAMMA RHO/UC SANTA BARBARA

THROUGH THE YEARS

I was delighted to see the photograph of the Vanderbilt Thetas posing in 1908 with their parasols ("PARTIES THAT WERE," SPRING 2000). Two of the six pictured, Ada Raines and Rebecca Young, were later high school teachers of my husband, Jim, in Memphis. Another of those pictured, Louise Young, attended West End Methodist church in Nashville with us.

ANNA R. TUCK

ALPHA ETA/VANDERBILT

GOOD NEWS

My husband and I are co-publishers of our local newspaper, *The Keith County News*, located in Ogallala, Neb. I am also a Theta from Rho Chapter.

Thank you for allowing us to reprint the article about Jennifer Martin ("SMILES ACROSS THE MILES," BY ERIN KRETZSCHMAR, SPRING 2000) from *The Kappa Alpha Theta Magazine*.

Jennifer Martin was born in Keith County, Neb. She was a classmate of our daughter, Allison, during their elementary school days in a one-room country school. Allison is also a Theta from Rho Chapter. Jennifer is a friend of our daughter-in-law, Kris Jones Pollock, DDS, also a member of Rho Chapter.

Many people here knew Jennifer and her family and remember them fondly. Her grandparents lived here for many years. In fact, Jennifer's maternal grandfather, Bill Dunn, headed the production department at our paper for many years.

It is uplifting to read about our "hometown kids" who are doing good things. That's the kind of news we love to print!

BEVERLY BUCK POLLOCK

RHO/NEBRASKA

VIA E-MAIL

TRAVELING THOUGHTS

It was with real interest that I read "Have Bags, Will Travel" (AUTUMN 1999). It brought back many memories of the years 1962-1970, when I had the privilege of working on the College Committee of Grand Council. To my delight, the traveling secretary program was one of my assignments. Each of those years we had two young graduates traveling for us; they were outgoing, knowledgeable, and dedicated to serving each of the chapters.

Naturally, when a traveling secretary came to visit a chapter in the greater Washington, where I live, I scheduled a stop-over in my home. I look over the names and recall fond memories of those with whom I had the privilege of working. They, along with all the consultants who followed (and will follow), came from chapters across the country and each made a tremendous contribution to the college program. I was privileged to have known and worked with this special group of young Thetas.

ELEANOR CONLY HUNT

ALPHA THETA/TEXAS

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Foundation Introduces New Executive Director

After an extensive search, the Kappa Alpha Theta Foundation Trustees introduce Gary Hand as the new executive director for the Foundation. Gary's strong background in operations and foundation development is a great match for the Foundation's



Gary Hand

desire to grow to the next level and expand its current Grant and Scholarship programs. Gary can be reached at extension 108 at the Foundation office or by e-mail at GHand@KappaAlphaTheta.org.

2000 Founders Award Winners

Congratulations to the following Thetas who have been selected as recipients of the \$7,500 Founders awards. Each is in an honors program at her respective university.

Bettie Locke Hamilton

Amy Stauff, O/USC

majoring in business and pre-med.

Alice Allen Brant

Amanda Schnitker, ΓΠΙ/Iowa State

majoring in animal science/pre-veterinary medicine.

Bettie Tipton Lindsey

Jenny Urice, AO/Oklahoma

majoring in letters (which is based on the study of literature, history, philosophy, as well as an ancient and modern language.)

Hannah Fitch Shaw

Viviane Safrin, BΔ/Arizona

majoring in history and literature/pre-law.

Look for a full listing of Foundation Scholarship award winners in the autumn issue of *The Kappa Alpha Theta Magazine*.

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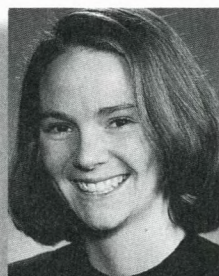
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SNAPSHOTS

Cooking expert **PAULETTE MITCHELL, BO/IOWA**, has recently authored a series of books: *The 15-Minute Gourmet: Noodles*, *The 15-Minute Gourmet: Chicken*, and *The 15-Minute Gourmet: Vegetarian*, published by IDG Books. Each book contains more than 100 easy-to-follow recipes, various tips and techniques, and kitchen wisdom acquired through years of experience.

ANN STEWART ROBINSON, ZE/HARVARD, has been chosen as a Fulbright Scholar and will be doing research and graduate study at Victoria University, Wellington, New Zealand, beginning February 2001.



The Mad Herringtons, a novel by **JANE MYERS PERRINE, DH/KANSAS STATE**, is scheduled for July publication by Regency Press, and a short story written by Perrine appeared in *Women's World Magazine* in February. She and her husband have also started an e-zine of fiction and features for women, *The Breathless Moment* (www.breathless-moment.com).

JAN SECRIST, BΔ/ARIZONA, has just published her second book, with a third currently in production. *Tomboy Tales: Adventures of Midlife Mavericks*, tells the stories (based on five years of original research) of 13 wives, mothers, and career role models. Secrist is returning to academia for her third work, *Applying Your Academic Powers to a Career Outside Academia*, to be published this summer.

S. SHAWN STEPHENS, EE/BAYLOR, recently became a partner in the Houston law firm Solar and Fernandes, L.L.P. Stephens is board certified in civil appellate law by the Texas Board of Legal Specialization and is an adjunct profes-



sor at South Texas College of Law in the appellate advocacy program.

DEBRA ILCHAK, ΔE/ARIZONA STATE, received the Robert W. Woodruff Fellowship, which is awarded to BSN prepared nurses who have been accepted to the Master of Science in Nursing program at Emory University. It is the highest honor bestowed upon graduate students at the university.



ANDREA LOFTUS JONES, ΓZ/CONNECTICUT, has written a historical trivia book, *Legends and Losers*, focusing on the South Bend and Notre Dame areas of Indiana.

SALLY PLIHAL STARR, AP/SOUTH DAKOTA, was selected by the Sioux Falls *Argus Leader Newspaper* as one of the top five female athletes of the twentieth century in South Dakota. Her selection is a result of her track success at the state and national levels during a time when girl's high-school track was in its infancy. Her specialty was the high jump.

BARBARA MCALISTER, ΓT/TULSA, a member of the Cherokee Nation of Oklahoma and a founding member of the Cherokee Honor Society, was one of ten honorees awarded the 1999 Cherokee Medal of Honor by the society. The society recognizes people whose work and accomplishments bring pride and esteem to the Cherokee people. McAlister, an award-winning opera singer, has just released her first CD.

TRISHA DUVAL, AΘ/TEXAS, was one of six women honored as an outstanding volunteer at The Junior League of the City of New York's annual winter ball.

LORI BURGETT, ΖΣ/OHIO NORTHERN, of Kokosing Construction Co., was elected vice-chairman of the Columbus Chapter of Ohio Contractors Association.

ASHLEY REYNOLDS, ΓI/KENTUCKY, placed second out of eleven candidates in the fiftieth annual Christmas Seal contest.

Reynolds raised \$1,340 in the contest, which was sponsored by the American Lung Association of Kentucky.

MARYBETH CORNWELL TORBET, ZO/WAKE FOREST, was named one of 21 men and women in South Carolina "you'll hear a lot more from in the century to come" by *Business North Carolina* magazine. Cornwell joined Sara Lee Corp. directly out of Wake Forest's MBA program, became marketing manager for kids' clothing at Sara Lee Casualwear two years later, and two years after that became vice-president of marketing for men's and kids' casual clothing.

DR. LIZ KARNES, P/NEBRASKA, received the 2000 "Great Comebacks Award" from the Crohn's and Colitis Foundation of America for her inspiration to other ostomy patients.

KATHRYN RICHARDSON, EO/RANDOLPH MACON, joined 40 other volunteers to teach English for a year in Costa Rica under the auspices of WorldTeach, a private, non-profit organization based at Harvard University. Volunteers teach regular classes in the schools, set up environmental awareness clubs, and create national environmental projects for children. Many have also participated in a program to train adults for work as English-speaking nature guides in nature parks and preserves.

NIKKI LETAWSKY, BX/ALBERTA, and **LISSA BRADFORD, AH/VANDERBILT**, attended Bowling Green State University's Greek Alcohol Summit.



Nikki Letawksy

Bradford served as a keynote speaker and Letawsky was a breakout session facilitator.

Seven Theta chapters - **B/INDIANA**, **BA/WILLIAM & MARY**, **BI/COLORADO**, **BN/FLORIDA STATE**, **ZT/DELAWARE**, **ZK/SOUTH CAROLINA**, and **ΔZ/EMORY** - participated in the 1999 Dryel Clothing Drive. They collected a total of 5,572 pieces of clothing.



JESSICA KELLER, NICOLE SPRUILL, BROOKE CARROLL, AMANDA ACKER, and SUSAN SHEFFIELD, charter members of the **ZY/USM CHAPTER**, celebrated Mississippi's victory over Colorado State in the Liberty Bowl on New Year's Eve.



ERIKA GARDNER SCHMITZ, LINDA PIKE, LORI MEAGHER HOLLOWAY, LISA COX, CLARE GARRATT, and MICHELLE LOLLOCK, founding members of the **ZETA NU CHAPTER** at **UC DAVIS**, gathered for a Christmas party.



ERIN SCHNIEDERS, MEGAN THOMSON, JACKIE FAIG, BEKAH ALTHOFF, STACY ALEXANDER, ABBY DYAR, AMY BOSWORTH, HEATHER RUNKEL, AMY RUNKEL, NIKKI RANDALL, AMANDA DEASON, KIM HIGGINS, HEATHER MCLEMORE, SARAH FITZPATRICK, KATIE KETELSEN, and SHANNON SCHWAB, members of **ΓΠ/IOWA STATE**, prepared for their annual Red Hot Chili Dinner. The event raised more than \$1,000 for **CASA**.

Members of **ΔΩ/TEXAS A&M** volunteered their time for Theta Bingo, the annual fund-raiser sponsored by the **NORTHWEST HOUSTON ALUMNAE CHAPTER** benefitting **CASA**. Participating **DELTA OMEGA** members include: (back) **CLAIRE BAILEY, JORDAN ADAMS, JILL BALEZ, and ERIN ANDERSON**; (front) **JESSICA MILLER, MELISSA HAMMIT, KRISTAN KING, JILL HELGREN, ERIN CLARK, and BRITTANI WILMORE**.



These 50-year Thetas gathered to celebrate Founders Day in Minneapolis, Minn.: **AUDREY VAN DEREN, PATRICIA BROWN, JOANNE OLSEN HERMANN, and JO MOES PIRSCH**, all **Y/MINNESOTA**; and **MARION PARIS PLUMMER**, **ΓN/NORTH DAKOTA STATE**.



At the installation of the **TUCSON ALUMNAE CHAPTER** last spring, seniors from the **BETA DELTA CHAPTER** at **ARIZONA** received certificates redeemable for the first year's dues to the alumnae club/chapter of their choice.



DISTRICT VIII officers provided advisory board training for **BΓ/COLORADO, BΓ/COLORADO STATE, and BΩ/COLORADO COLLEGE**.





Members of the **BETA CHAPTER** at **INDIANA** gathered for a Founders Day at the Indiana Memorial Union. (back) **COURTNEY STUHLEY**, **KATHERINE HAYES**, **MARY BENNETT**; (front) **KRISTEN STONECIPHER**, **MEREDITH MIRA**, **MO McNALLY**.



Ninety-seven year old **BA/WILLIAM & MARY** alumna **ELIZABETH PALMER THOMPSON** and her daughter, Martha Sue Miller, attended the annual Waco Alumnae Panhellenic Scholarship Tea, held on October 17, 1999. Thompson was honored for "long time works with Panhellenic."



The **COLUMBUS ALUMNAE CHAPTER** honored two 75-year Thetas and two 25-year Thetas at their annual Founders Day luncheon. The Theta of the year was honored with a pin donated by 101-year-old Theta Audrey Shively. **ANN DONALDSON ALDRICH**, T/**NORTHWESTERN**; **ANN LOEHNER KITZMILLER**, BT/**DENISON**; 75-year honoree **BETTY YOUNG GOODRIDGE**, BT/**DENISON**; **RACHEL WAY SHERMAN**, AM/**MISSOURI**; **ANNE POWELL RILEY**, BT/**DENISON**; **KATHERINE SMITH DUNN**, AT/**OHIO STATE**; and **NANCY PARKS PICKETT**, AT/**OHIO STATE**, joined the celebration.



Fifty-year Thetas **BETTY RIEDEL TROXELL** and **MARY MARTIN RUSSUM**, both members of the **BETA SIGMA CHAPTER** at **SMU**, were honored at the Hill County Alumnae Club's Founders Day luncheon. College roommates, the two were reunited when they joined the club.

Under the direction of Central Oklahoma Habitat for Humanity, members of the **KAPPA CHAPTER** at **KANSAS** joined Sigma Alpha Epsilon fraternity members and the president and vice-president of the OU Student Association to help build a house with Ben and Betty Killensworth, the victims of a tornado. The volunteers framed, painted, landscaped, and installed sheetrock.

Eight alumnae from the **GAMMA CHI** Chapter at **FRESNO STATE** alumnae have enjoyed an on-going round robin since 1952. The current round robin members are: **JANICE POLSON BELL**, **JOAN BROWN BRISCOE**, **BINA HILDEN CRAWFORD**, **ROSEMARY JOHNSON DAWSON**, **BARBARA HEBERT LEACH**,

ELOISE PYMM MATTHEW, **ANNE COCHRANE MCFARLANE**, and **BARBARA THAXTER ZIMMERMAN**.

CHRISTINA HANSEN, Δ/**ILLINOIS**, an avid triathlete, joined the Leukemia Society of America's Team in Training program, which trains and prepares people of all ability levels to compete as cyclists, runners, walkers, or triathletes to raise funds for the Leukemia Society. Funds raised through Team in Training support research to find a cure for leukemia and its related cancers and to help patients and their families through patient aid and services. Hansen vowed to raise more than 2fi times the minimum amount required by the program.

Members of the **PITTSBURGH ALUMNAE**

CHAPTER gathered in early December for an annual Holiday Fireside, a decades-old tradition. Two years ago, the group began collecting Toys for Tots from all those in attendance; in 1999, more than twenty-five toys were collected.

HETAL DOSHI, Δ/**Z/EMORY**, was elected by the student body to serve as the President of Emory College. As president, she governs the undergraduate community and assists Emory students planning campus programs, budgets for campus organizations, addresses student concerns, and plans university-wide events. Doshi is also Delta Zeta's vice-president public relations and the Founders Memorial Nominee for the chapter.



In celebration of Dr. Seuss's ninetieth birthday, author **KIRSTEN LOKVAM CHAPMAN**, T/NORTHWESTERN, read *The Cat Comes Back* at a Columbus, Ohio, Barnes & Noble. Joining her was **LAURIE MCGREGOR CONNOR**, ΓΔ/OHIO WESLEYAN.



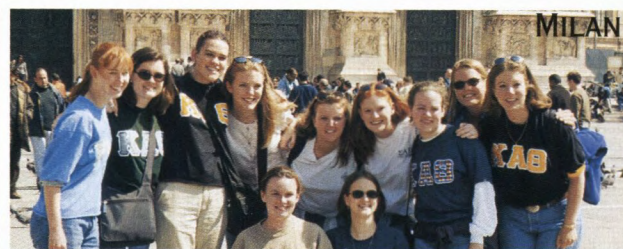
When **JOAN PATZER DAVIDOFF**, AO/OKLAHOMA, was battling ovarian cancer, 25 of her Alpha Omicron sisters rallied around her for a weekend of love and support. Though given only months to live at the time, Joan was able to join another reunion two years later. She died shortly after the second reunion, and the bond that had been established brought the sisters together for a third reunion, above.



The **SKIDAWAY ISLAND ALUMNAE CLUB** hosted its first Skidaway Island Panhellenic Luncheon in May. Fifteen Greek organizations were represented and ninety guests attended, with proceeds going toward Safe Shelter, a Savannah, Georgia, charity. Pictured are the 26 Thetas in attendance.

Wish you were here...

THETA POSTCARDS



Eleven members of the **ZETA ETA CHAPTER** traveled all over Italy with fourteen other students from **WOFFORD COLLEGE**, performing concerts in such places as St. Peter's Basilica in the Vatican City. Pictured in front of the Duomo of Milan are: (back) **KIM McDONALD**, **LINDSAY HAZLE**, **JENNIE BLACKLEDGE**, **SALLIE WATSON**, **LINDSAY HARPER**, **DELESLINE MIMS**, **BETH HAWLEY**, **KAREN HEMBREE**, and **GINNY CLARK**; (front) **SARAH HUXFORD** and **CINDY BREWER**.



JENNIFER SPELLISSY and **KATE FARRAR** visited **GWEN MORRISON** in Paris. All three are members of the **GAMMA ZETA CHAPTER** at **CONNECTICUT**.



DELTA KAPPA Thetas **AMANDA THORSEN**, **RACHAEL PERSON**, and **SUSAN WARD** visit the Tower of London on a spring break trip to England.



NANCY WHITNELL HARRIS, A/M/MISSOURI; **JOAN VINAROFF FLETCHER**, A/Y/WASHBURN; and **JOAN HOWARD BURGESS**, B/A/WILLIAM & MARY, vacationed in France last spring and piloted their own boat through 33 locks on the Saane. ■

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THETA TIMES

ΓΔ's 75TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

The Gamma deuteron Chapter at Ohio Wesleyan University is planning its 75th anniversary celebration in Delaware, Ohio, on Saturday, November 11. The events include a luncheon, decade dinners, house and campus tours, historical memorabilia displays, singing, ritual, and fun! For more information, please contact Laurie McGregor Connor, anniversary chairman, 1688 Powell Rd., Powell, OH 43065; 614-841-1116.

CHAPTERS

DISESTABLISHED

On February 20, the members of the Alpha Iota Chapter at Washington-St. Louis unanimously voted to surrender their chapter charter. The chapter's closing was effective May 5.

On April 5, Grand Council withdrew the charter of the Gamma Gamma Chapter at Rollins due to risk management violations.

On June 5, Grand Council withdrew the charter of the Gamma Omega Chapter

at Auburn. Decreasing membership made it impossible to carry on local operations.

Alpha Iota, Gamma Gamma, and Gamma Omega have contributed many fine members who continue to be an asset to the Fraternity.

KAPPA ALPHA THETA BADGES

Your Theta badge is a visible symbol of your membership of the Fraternity, not just a piece of jewelry. While most members retain their badges throughout their lifetimes, badges often find their way to the Fraternity headquarters, to college chapters, or—unfortunately—to antique sales, estate sales, or online auction sites such as eBay.

The Kappa Alpha Theta Constitution (Article IX, Section 3.B) states, "The badge is the property of the Fraternity and should be retained by the member only so long as she shall remain a member...."

There are several appropriate dispositions for Theta badges in the event of a member's death. The badge may be buried with the member or it may be given to a Kappa Alpha Theta relative or

friend. The badge may also be returned to the Fraternity; in this case, the member or the member's family may make suggestions about specific usage of the badge.

The Fraternity is in the process of developing a membership badge disposition preference form. More information about Theta badges and this form will appear in future issues of *The Magazine*.

#1 IN SCHOLARSHIP

Congratulations to the following chapters; they earned a number-one scholarship ranking on their respective campuses during the fall/winter term of 1999.

K/Kansas
Π/Albion
AM/Missouri
AN/Montana
AP/South Dakota
AΣ/Washington State
AY/Washburn
AΨ/Lawrence
BK/Drake
BM/Nevada
BΦ/Penn State
ΓΦ/Texas Tech
ΔΣ/Ball State
EI/Westminster



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EA/Dickinson
ZH/Wofford
ZN/UC Davis
ZS/Ohio Northern
ZY/UT Dallas

Special congratulations to the members of the **ALPHA RHO CHAPTER!** For 20 consecutive semesters, they have been ranked number one in scholarship on the University of South Dakota campus. Special congratulations also to the women of the **GAMMA PHI CHAPTER!** They have been ranked number one in scholarship on the Texas Tech campus for 18 consecutive semesters.

NEW ALUMNAE CHAPTER

Tucson, Ariz., is home to Theta's newest alumnae chapter. The Tucson Alumnae Chapter was installed on March 23 and became our 79th active alumnae chapter.



CHANGE YOUR ADDRESS ONLINE!

We are pleased to offer you the convenience of making name and address changes online! Log on to the Theta website (www.KappaAlphaTheta.org); click on the Thetas Online button.

Upon entry into the Thetas

Online area, you will be asked for your member ID number, first name, last name at initiation, current last name, and year of initiation. (Your seven-digit member ID number is listed on the mailing panel of this magazine, above your name. It can also be found on your membership card, or you may

contact Fraternity Headquarters [info@KappaAlphaTheta.org].) After you enter the above information, you will be asked to create a password for yourself. For future visits to the Thetas Online area, you will need only your

member ID and password.

To change your name and/or address, simply click on Change Name/Address With Fraternity Headquarters, and then enter the requested information. This will automatically send your new information to Kappa Alpha Theta Fraternity headquarters. The information will then be verified with our database and changed.

MORE TIME

Have you ever heard yourself say, "If I only had more time, I'd finish _____"? From Time Management Systems, here are four tips for squeezing those unfinished projects—whether at work or at home—into your already busy schedule.

1. Write a plan for accomplishing each project.
2. Break the plan into very small, discrete steps. Identify steps that will take 20 minutes or less to do.
3. Make a commitment to completing these steps by scheduling them on your calendar.
4. Be sure to complete one 20-minute step on your project every day. ■

RECRUITMENT RESULTS

Congratulations to the following chapters that pledged quota during the 1999-2000 academic year. Quota was achieved either in bid matching during formal recruitment or through continuous open bidding (COB).

+ Indicates those chapters on campuses without a set quota

Kappa Alpha Theta encourages all chapters to pledge qualified legacies.

* Indicates those chapters that pledged 40 percent or more of the Theta legacies who participated in their respective school's recruitment.

Boldface indicates those chapters pledging 100 percent of Theta legacies participating in recruitment.

A/DePauw*	BE/Oregon State	ΔH/Kansas State
B/Indiana	BZ/Oklahoma State	ΔΘ/Florida*
Γ/Butler	BH/Pennsylvania	ΔI/Puget Sound
Δ/Illinois	BI/Colorado	ΔK/Louisiana State
H/Michigan	BK/Drake	ΔO/Alabama
I/Cornell	BA/William and Mary*	ΔΣ/Ball State
K/Kansas*	BN/Florida State	ΔY/Eastern Kentucky*
Λ/Vermont	BE/UCLA	ΔΦ/Clemson
Γ ^Δ /Ohio Wesleyan	BO/Iowa	ΔX/Virginia
N/Hanover	BΠ/Michigan State*	ΔΩ/Texas A&M*
Ξ/Wesleyan ⁺	BP/Duke	EE/Baylor
O/USC	BΣ/Southern Methodist	EH/Centre College
Π/Albion*	BT/Denison	EI/Westminster
P/Nebraska*	BΦ/Penn State	EA/Dickinson
T/Northwestern	BX/Alberta	EM/Princeton
Ψ/Wisconsin	BΨ/McGill	EO/Randolph Macon
Φ ^Δ /Stanford*	BΩ/Colorado College*	EΠ/Bucknell
ΑΓ/Ohio State*	ΓΔ/Georgia	EΣ/UC Irvine
AE/Brown ⁺	ΓZ/Connecticut	ET/Yale
AH/Vanderbilt	ΓΘ/Carnegie-Mellon	EY/Columbia
AΘ/Texas	ΓI/Kentucky	EΦ/Chicago
AA/Washington	ΓM/Maryland*	EΨ/Richmond
AM/Missouri	ΓN/North Dakota State	EΩ/Washington & Jefferson
AN/Montana*	ΓP/UC Santa Barbara	ZZ/Colgate*
AO/Oklahoma	ΓΣ/San Diego State*	ZΛ/College of Charleston
ΑΠ/North Dakota	ΓT/Tulsa*	ZΞ/Harvard
ΑΠ/South Dakota	ΓY/Miami	ZP/UC San Diego*
ΑΣ/Washington State	ΓΦ/Texas Tech*	ZΣ/Ohio Northern
AT/Cincinnati	ΓX/Fresno State	ZY/U of Texas-Dallas
AY/Washburn	ΓΨ/Texas Christian	ZΦ/Pepperdine
AX/Purdue	ΔΔ/Whitman	ZX/Johns Hopkins
ΑΨ/Lawrence	ΔE/Arizona State	
BΔ/Arizona	ΔZ/Emory*	

Thank You, Volunteers



STATE/PROVINCE CHAIRMEN

30 Years

Karla Struck Tabor, Delaware

20 Years

Patricia L. Hethrington, Alberta,
Manitoba, Saskatchewan

15 Years

Ruth Means Langstaff, No. California
Nancy Smith Grubb, So. California
Kathy Schwartz Schroeder, Oregon

10 Years

Patricia Mahan LaBarre, No. California
Anne Mitchell Cobb, Maryland
Sue Shane Sautermeister, Mississippi

5 Years

Laurie McMahon Mallon, Ontario
Mary Ann Saltzman Miller, Colorado
Ann Wynne Beers, West Virginia

PERMANENT ALUMNAE SECRETARIES

20 Years

Mildred Cannon Elmgren,
AZ/Washington State
Joan Lively Stansbury, BΣ/SMU
Patricia L. Hethrington,
BY/British Columbia

15 Years

Dorothy Garrett Johnson, H/Michigan
Catherine Wiley Boer, Ω/UC Berkeley

10 Years

Charlene Warren Todd, ΓΞ/San Jose State
Terry Bennetts Johnson, ΓX/Fresno State

5 Years

Sue Farrell Supple, A/DePauw
Patricia Morris Evard, Γ/Butler
Joanne Beal Feist, K/Kansas
Pamela Suttles Williams, N/Hanover
Joy Somogyi, AE/Brown
Dorcas Jeans Holden, AM/Missouri
Cheryl Clark Wolvertson, AO/Oklahoma
Trella Whitaker Anderson, AY/Washburn
Ann Wynne Beers, ΓT/Rollins
Tracey Knight Antchak, ΓE/W. Ontario
Denise Hamann, ΓZ/Connecticut
Mary Collins McCormick,
ΓH/Massachusetts
Susan Sandford Smirnoff,
ΓK/George Washington
Monica Posprim Faulk, ΔK/Louisiana St.
Lynn Kay Odenbach, ΔT/Montana St.
Constance Halbauer Pridemore,
ΔY/Eastern Kentucky
Laura Owen Sutherland,
EO/Randolph Macon
Kristi Cox Mendoza, EΣ/UC Irvine
Wendy May Pizarro, ET/Yale
Maryanne Durant Goldsmith,
EX/Guelph
Melissa Stansell Lovin, ZA/Charleston
Angelica Mendoza Rettig, ZN/UC Davis
Grace Tanya Wang, ZE/Harvard
Sharee Parker Pfaff, ZP/UC San Diego
Debra Buerger, ZE/Ohio Northern ■

Congratulations to the these

permanent alumnae secretaries

and state/province chairmen

who recently received awards for

service. A permanent alumnae

secretary (PAS) maintains records

of all initiated members of a given

chapter, while a state/province

chairman (SC) maintains records

of all initiated members living

within her given area.

In this way, these officers of the

Fraternity help ensure that each

alumna remains in touch with

Kappa Alpha Theta.

CHAPTERS NEEDING PERMANENT ALUMNAE SECRETARIES

O/USC

Π/Albion

Ψ/Wisconsin

BT/Denison

ΔX/Virginia

ZΩ/Loyola Marymount

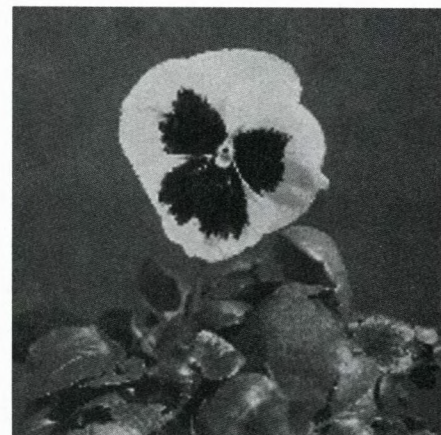
STATES NEEDING STATE CHAIRMEN

Arizona

New Hampshire

Rhode Island

For more information about or to volunteer for any of these positions,
please call Lou Simpson, director of SC/PAS, 248-642-2468.



THROUGH THE YEARS

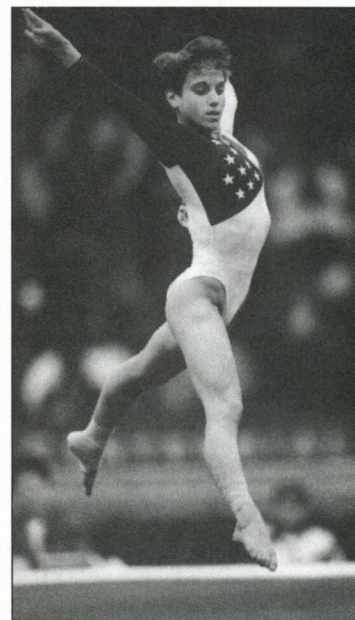


THROUGH THE YEARS, THETAS HAVE BEEN INTERESTED IN AND EXCELLED IN A VARIETY OF SPORTS.

Several Thetas became well-known athletes, including **Jo Anne Gunderson Carner, Delta Epsilon/Arizona State**, a professional golfer, and **Helen Hull Jacobs, Omega/UC Berkeley**, who won numerous singles and doubles tennis titles in the 1920s and 1930s, including a championship at Wimbledon.

Kerri Strug, Beta Xi/UCLA, became a household name after her vault on an injured ankle helped the US women's gymnastics team win a gold medal at the 1996 Olympic Games.

Jane Fauntz Manske, Delta/Illinois, won an Olympic bronze medal in the women's three-meter springboard diving competition in 1932. In the 1948 summer games, **Ann Curtis Cuneo, Omega/UC Berkeley**, won two gold medals and a silver in swimming events. She was also the first woman and the first swimmer to win the Sullivan Award. Another swimmer, **Shirley Stobbs, Delta Zeta/Emory**, was a member of the gold-medal-winning 400-meter freestyle relay team at the 1960 Olympic Summer Games.



Kerri Strug, Beta Xi/UCLA, brought home the gold.



1 Evelyn Black Bramman, Omicron/USC, became a world champion surfer in the 1970s.

2 Nancy Sue Langafelter, Alpha Mu/Missouri, competed in track and field events in the 1980s.

3 In 1935, members of the **Alpha Sigma Chapter** at **Washington State** enjoyed team swimming.

4 Although not a common sport today, fencing was popular with the women of the **Beta Zeta Chapter** at **Oklahoma State** during the 1920s.



If you have any information and/or photos of Theta athletes that you would be interested in contributing to the Fraternity's archives, please contact Noraleen Young, project archivist, 888-526-1870, ext. 144; NYoung@KappaAlphaTheta.org.

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DLC 2000

Are You Ready?

Are You Ready?

Ready for the new year?

**Ready for the new century &
the new millennium?**

**Ready to accept new challenges
for Kappa Alpha Theta?**

continued

DLC 2000*Are You Ready?*

Are You Ready was the theme for the 2000 District Leadership Conferences (DLCs), held in January and February. The theme was inspired by the year 2000 and by the fact that collegians usually take their new chapter offices at the start of the winter/spring term.

A centrally located city in each Kappa Alpha Theta district was chosen to host that district's conference. Participants included college chapter presidents, vice-presidents finance, vice-presidents development, and recruitment chairman, as well as other interested college chapter officers. Alumnae chapters sent their incoming presidents, and many advisers and facility corporation board presidents also attended.

The district-oriented conferences provided access to timely leadership training with little inconvenience and low cost and also gave district and chapter officers the chance to meet and exchange information. The January/February time frame was designed to accommodate college finals schedules and winter and spring school breaks. Unfortunately, severe weather in the upper Midwest forced cancellation of the District I conference scheduled in Indianapolis at the end of February.



District II

DLC 2000 Host Cities

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Atlanta
 Boston
 Dallas
 Denver
 Indianapolis
 Los Angeles
 Omaha
 Pittsburgh
 Richmond

DLC workshops offered college officers training in budgeting and financial management, risk management issues, leadership skills, membership selection and recruitment, and member development. Workshops for alumnae focused on building membership, raising funds, and programming. There was also time for idea exchanges and like-officer discussions! Professional educational speakers discussed self-esteem, time management, and healthy relationships.

Two "firsts" distinguished the 2000 conferences. For the first time, participants in a Theta conference were able to register online via the Fraternity's website; also for the first time, discrete leadership training was offered during a Grand Convention year.

After the DLCs, participants indicated that they were indeed ready for the challenges of 2000 and ready to look ahead to the 2001 leadership conferences.



District II



District VII

District VII



In the Public Eye

Two Political Campaigns; Two Thetas Seeking the Road to the White House

Editor's note: When we learned that the wives of two men vying for the presidential nomination last spring are Thetas, it seemed an ideal opportunity to examine certain aspects of the American political process. We wondered how these women feel about campaigning, about being constantly in the limelight, and about the role that families play in the electorate's view of a candidate.

Accordingly, we conducted interviews and wrote the following article. Please be assured that it is in no way an endorsement of a specific candidate or a specific political party. Coincidentally, it is about two Republicans; we would have been delighted if the wives of the Democratic front-runners had been Thetas as well.

Cindy McCain

BY KATHERINE WHAN EA/DICKINSON

Family comes first. If Cindy Hensley McCain, Omicron/USC, had been the one running for president of the US, that's probably what she would have painted on the side of her campaign bus. But instead, she and I met aboard "The Straight Talk Express" as she supported her husband, US Senator John McCain (R-Arizona), on his quest for the Republican Party's presidential nomination.

I was one of the reporters (two bus loads full!) following The Straight Talk Express through South Carolina last February. In the two short days that I shadowed Cindy McCain, the campaign made stop after stop, where she shook countless hands; smiled for hundreds of photo opportunities; and talked to all sorts of people, from high-powered reporters to small-town voters.

But let me start from the beginning. I met up with the McCain campaign late on the night of February 13 in Anderson, SC. The group had taken over two adjacent hotels. The buses had just rolled into town, and we'd be leaving again at the crack of dawn, so I went right to bed and tried to sleep. But I kept getting up to peek out my window at The Straight

Talk Express, which was parked right below my room. I couldn't believe I was actually in the middle of a presidential campaign.

This was the big time.

The next morning, we bleary-eyed journalists had to be in the lobby by 6 a.m. Our three buses headed across town to the first event of the day, where a huge crowd was waiting for us.

A few minutes later, I caught my first glimpse of Cindy McCain as she and the senator emerged from their bus. I caught a flash of her bright blue eyes, her red suit and gracious smile, and then she was swallowed up by the mob, obscured by cameras and microphones, and swept into the event on a tide of excitement. Inside, dance music pumped despite the early hour, and a roaring crowd embraced both of the McCains. The senator introduced his wife, and joked that people wanted to know why she wasn't the candidate. This was a scenario that I would witness time and time again throughout the next two days: Cindy McCain walking the media gauntlet, being enveloped by the friendly crowd, standing on stage, and laughing at a joke that she'd heard a dozen times before. Afterward, she would move back toward the bus at a snail's pace, stopping to talk with everyone who approached her.

Just watching McCain from afar, I was impressed by her stamina and grace and with what the other reporters had to say about her. For starters, they all called her by her first name, and it seemed like she'd found the time to have real conversations with a lot of them. One of the photographers told me how McCain gave her some technical advice when her modem was acting up. Another reflected that she seemed very protective of her husband. And a third one offered a deeper insight, saying, "I think Cindy models herself after Jackie Kennedy—not the way she looks, but how she raises her kids. She told me that she admires how Kennedy raised her children in the limelight but still made sure they turned out to be decent, grounded people."

I finally got to talk to McCain one-on-one on February 15, my second full day with the campaign. That morning the *Today* show had done a live remote from The Straight Talk Express, we'd stopped at a Hardee's for a breakfast "meet and greet," and then we'd gone to yet another rally. We were on our way back to the hotel, where the McCains and the press would have about an hour of down time before heading on to the next event.

McCain and I sat in a dinette-style booth toward the middle of the bus. There were photographers from *Time* and *Newsweek* lounging across the aisle, other reporters prowling the front of the bus, and the senator was holding forth with a half-dozen other reporters in the back. It was mayhem. But Cindy McCain was perfectly relaxed.

After witnessing her rigorous schedule first-hand for two days, what I really wanted to know was how she did it. Like most women, McCain was juggling a variety of personal and professional responsibilities. But unlike most of us, she was doing it 2,000 miles from home, and in the glare of the national spotlight. So what was her secret?

"You need to remain even with it," said McCain, "and understand that some things have to give." She paused and added, "And I try to be very organized."

She also said that she knows what her priorities are. "My four children and my husband come first." While on the campaign trail, McCain used every high-tech device available to keep in close touch with her children, Meghan, Jack, Jimmy, and Bridget. They faxed homework back and forth, sent e-mails, and McCain kept a special cell phone exclusively for their calls.

She is also fiercely loyal to her husband. Just a few minutes into our conversation, everyone's attention turned to one of the TVs on the bus, where a CNN newscaster was criticizing Senator McCain's behavior. His wife was instantly on the alert. "That is not true," she said protectively, glaring at the screen. "He does NOT do that."

The entire family was very involved in the senator's decision to run for the presidential nomination. Of course, this doesn't mean that everything was easy for the family during the campaign. How, I asked McCain, did she and her husband explain the public scrutiny to their kids?

"Very carefully," she said. "Meghan, our 15-year-old, was dragged into the abortion issue when a reporter started asking her father hypothetical questions. I had to call Meghan's school and have her pulled out of class so I could tell her what had happened. I didn't want her to hear about it on CNN." McCain paused, and added, "I think she handled it better than I did. I was furious!"

And of course I had to ask . . . had lessons she learned as a Theta ever come in handy on the campaign trail? "Absolutely," she answered without hesitation. "I started college really young, in a strange city with no friends, and I was very shy. The social interaction of a sorority was very helpful—it made me more at ease."

And apparently that ease stuck. Said campaign assistant Wendy Poole, "Cindy's not the kind of person who toots her own horn, but she has a God-given talent for public speaking. She doesn't get nervous, even speaking in front of hundreds of people. She's a natural."

McCain is also an advocate of adoption—as an adoptive parent herself (Daughter Bridget was adopted from a Bangladeshi orphanage.), she'd like to see the adoption process made easier and less expensive.

McCain and I finished talking as the bus rolled back into the parking lot of the hotel, the same hotel they had stayed in the night before. It was the first time since joining her husband on the campaign trail five months before that McCain would stay at the same hotel two nights in a row. The next morning, she'd be on the road again, campaigning on her own along the South Carolina coast.

Cindy McCain stayed on the road for several more weeks, until her husband decided to pull out of the race in early March. And even though it looks like they won't be moving into the White House in 2001, I'm sure that Cindy McCain is doing just fine. Because family comes first — and anything else is just icing on the cake.

Laura Bush

BY BETH MATTER ΔΠ/TENNESSEE

On Monday, February 14, after celebrating Valentine's Day early, Laura and Texas Governor George W. Bush returned to



Cindy Hensley McCain, O/USC, (above), and Laura Welch Bush, BΣ/SMU.



Like Thetas everywhere, Laura Bush, BΣ/SMU, and Cindy McCain, O/USC, juggle personal, family, and career responsibilities.

Unlike Thetas everywhere, they do so on a national stage.

the grind. Saying goodbye to their twin teenage daughters, they drove to the airport, got out of the car, kissed each other, and headed to separate planes, as they got back on the campaign trail in their quest for the Republican presidential nomination.

Not exactly a typical day in Every Woman's life.

But her life is not so different, says Laura Welch Bush, Beta Sigma/SMU. Although her days may take place on a bigger stage, "I think I am like any other woman my age trying to juggle children, a career, and a spouse."

Laura Bush has been described as smart, genuine, supportive, reserved, serene—the calm in George's sometime storm—and one of his greatest assets. "I was born with a fairly calm temperament, and George adds a lot of excitement to my life," she said.

This calmness comes in handy at a time when media scrutiny is ubiquitous and increasingly intrusive in their lives. Media attention comes with the territory, she stated matter-of-factly, like the veteran public figure she is.

"I am used to press scrutiny as the first lady of Texas, but in that capacity I could still maintain a level of anonymity. In a presidential election, the scrutiny is more intense and increases everyday. People are more likely to recognize me now. But George and I are the children of a president [George HW Bush], and we knew what was in store for us. And most people probably don't realize this, but 50 to 75 members of the press travel on the plane on every campaign trip with us, and we actually get to be fairly good friends with them." The Bushes take great pains, however, to shield from the camera lens their twin daughters, Barbara and Jenna, who graduated from high school this year.

Perks of being in the public eye include having a flower named after her—the Laura Bush Petunia, a dark purple petunia that was planted throughout Nacogdoches, Texas, during a Main Street tour she attended—and the opportunity to highlight issues important to her as a teacher and librarian.

Bush's main cause is literacy, ironically the same issue her mother-in-law championed as first lady. She launched an early childhood development initiative in Texas in 1998 that helps parents and caregivers prepare preschool children for reading in school. This initiative, together with her husband's initiative as governor to appropriate money for reading academies in schools, has helped raise reading scores across their state.

Laura Welch and George W. Bush attended the same junior high school and lived in the same apartment complex as young adults, but never knew each other until mutual friends introduced them when they were 31 years old.

George has said that for him it was love at first sight, and Laura thought he was funny. They married three months later.

Their first year together was spent campaigning for George W.'s congressional race, traveling back and forth across a two-county district bordering New Mexico. He lost the race, just as his father began running for president.

"People used to ask me if I thought George would run for office again, and I used to joke, 'Yes, maybe when we are 50.' As it turns out, we weren't that far from 50 when he ran successfully for governor."

After the New Hampshire primary this year, they worried that George might again be facing defeat and not win the Republican nomination for president. And they are aware, of course, that even with the nomination, he might not win the election.

"But we have a lot of peace with whatever the outcome is," she said. "If it works out, that's great. George will make a wonderful president. If it doesn't work out—we know from George's parents that there is life after politics."

They're currently building a house on property they own in central Texas. "For George and me both, the distraction of planning and daydreaming about this house is certainly a stress reliever."

And despite the hectic schedule, they make family time a priority. Laura Bush comes home from the campaign trail every two to three days to make sure the girls are fine. And her husband tries his best to join them every Sunday.

She also makes time for her friends. "Laura's room at the Theta House was always central headquarters," Susan Byerly Nowlin, Beta Sigma/SMU, remembered. "We all congregated there because she is such a great listener and has an uncanny ability to focus her full attention on whomever she is talking to. Later, she'll follow through, asking you about whatever you were sharing with her."

Janet Heyne, Beta Sigma/SMU, agreed with Nowlin. "Friendships are very important to Laura, and she works hard to maintain them," she says, adding that Laura organized a luncheon at her house during their 25th college reunion.

"Every Christmas, Laura has a few Theta friends to the Governor's Mansion to have lunch and look at various artists' work on display. [Another of Bush's causes is promoting the arts.] We told her this year she was off the hook, with the election and all, but she said no, that she already had the date on the calendar. She has never felt too big, too busy, too important to be with any of us. We are a major part of her life, and she makes you feel that way."

Laura recently received a special tribute from her university, from George, and her Theta friends. She was one of four people to receive SMU's Distinguished Alumni Award last fall. On that occasion, George donated the promenade—a serene garden—leading up to the SMU library in honor of his wife, who also has a master's degree in library science.

"He is the more outgoing of the two, and yet he draws so much of his strength and who he is from her," said Nowlin. "For him to have surprised her with this very special gift to her university is just a beautiful thing to do." Nowlin and other sorority sisters also surprised Laura with benches engraved with quotes about friendship to be placed in the promenade.

"My Theta friends and I laugh and say in our old age, we'll be sitting on those benches remembering stories about our younger years," Bush said. ■

As this issue went to press, George W. Bush announced Dick Cheney as his running mate. Cheney's wife, Lynne Vincent Cheney, is also a Theta: a member of the Beta Omega Chapter at Colorado College. She has served as chairman of the National Endowment for the Humanities.

If Labs [Labrador retrievers] were people, they'd be surgeons, accountants, attorneys, and CEOs...." writes Tom Davis in his introduction to the book *Just Goldens*.

If people were dogs, Lynn Starr Malayter, Beta Kappa/Drake, confesses that she would be a Lab.

The gregarious Theta alumna thinks that Davis's description of golden retrievers as quirky and fun-loving and Labrador retrievers as logical and intensely goal-oriented is exactly right. With her marvelously contagious laugh, it's hard to imagine the outgoing Malayter as being anything but fun. It's also difficult to imagine Lynn Malayter being anything but first-rate at whatever she does.

In addition to running her own successful insurance agency in Madison, Wis., the former teacher has come to be recognized as an expert in the area of animal-assisted therapy, although she says she didn't plan it that way. "What started as a hobby became a passion and soon became an obsession," she explains.

MEETING MURPHY

Malayter and Murphy, her beloved seven-year-old Lab, began their partnership volunteering with the local humane society. They became Wisconsin's first—and are still its only—animal-assisted therapy team. Today, dog and owner work with physical therapy patients, young and old, at Madison's Meriter Hospital, where Murphy is known as "Dr. Dog" for good reason.

Murphy encourages patients to make remarkable, sometimes miraculous, progress: coaxing a four-year-old girl with cerebral palsy, who had never taken a step, to walk; and succeeding in getting a young man in a vegetative coma state to respond by blinking his eyes and smiling.

Murphy, who is named after television's Murphy Brown, joined the Malayter family as a puppy. Although she is pedigreed and registered with the American Kennel Club, Murphy didn't look like she should sport "... one of those fancy AKC names" says Malayter.

And although she says that she could not have anticipated where it would lead, Murphy's calling to therapy work was evident right away. "When she was a puppy, she came down to the office

with me every day, and she would strike a chord with people. She'd bring out different aspects of people's personalities that I hadn't seen before. I run a very informal office, and I know my book of business extremely well. People will stop by just because they're in the area and

poke their heads in just to say hello. But I found that [with Murphy there] people would sit down and they'd be petting her and they'd start talking about what was bothering them. And, lo and behold, there I was wearing my psychology hat!"

Malayter, who had considered getting her doctorate in psychology before becoming an insurance agent, has been accustomed to wearing many hats and wearing them all extraordinarily well since her early years.

REACHING FOR THE STARS

When Lynn Starr left her northern Indiana home for Drake University, she remembers she was looking for a "top-notch organization" that she found in Kappa Alpha Theta's Beta Kappa Chapter. Initiated in 1963, she felt at home in the chapter, where she served as chaplain her sophomore year. "They were down to earth, fun, academically oriented, and the leaders on campus," says Malayter. "I found the girls were easy to be around and extremely supportive."

Malayter so enjoyed the "warm fuzzies" of her Theta sisterhood that when her early achievements as a French major left her with nowhere fur-

Malayter & Murphy

Making Miracles With Animal-Assisted Therapy

by Susan Stephan Holloway, TTI/Iowa State



ther to go academically, she realized the only thing holding her at Theta. Taking to heart the advice that she'd be better off at a university known for foreign languages, Malayter transferred to Indiana University,

where she graduated with a degree in Spanish and an English minor in 1966.

While working on her graduate degree in Spanish, Lynn became engaged to Ray Malayter, the boy "two doors down the street" from her family in Indiana. After receiving her master's, she taught, first in northern Indiana, then in Illinois, where she and Ray moved after their marriage. In 1979, the Malayter family, including young son Christopher, moved to their home near Madison. There, Malayter taught in the middle and high school and chaired the language department until, six years later, she decided she was ready for a change.

In 1985, with the persistent urging of a family friend, Malayter started a career in insurance. Although Malayter initially had some misgivings, in typical Type A fashion, she immersed herself in mastering the many roles required of an insurance agent. Fifteen years later, she still says of her work, "It's a hoot!"

Of course, she acknowledges that insurance isn't generally considered a hoot! But, she explains, "Every day is different. The number of people you talk with and the number of hats that you wear is incredible. In the insurance office, you're the counselor, you're the financial advisor, you might be the per-

son who hears about the pregnancy or the marriage first. I have kids who started out with me when they were in high school who are still with me and now are married and have their own kids. I kind of look on them as my own kids, which is the way I looked at my students as well."



Malayter's tendency to nurture has long extended to animals as well as people. "I have this thing about bringing pets home," she says.

PIONEERING PARTNERSHIP

Then along came Murphy, and although Malayter's schedule was already brimming ("Aren't there 36 hours in a day?"), Murphy's way with people and her own desire to give something back to the community resulted in their involvement in the Dane County Humane Society's Love-a-Pet program.

She describes a memorable experience when Murphy was "introducing" herself to a circle of children. "She went up to this little boy and when I asked his name, he just looked at me. I just really took a stab in the dark and asked him in Spanish what his name was, and his face lit up. It turned out he had not been able to communicate with anybody at the school. He gave Murphy a great big ol' hug and was talking to her in Spanish. And of course I was kind of sitting behind Murph, crouched down, answering the child in Spanish, pretending it was Murphy, and he was

getting a big kick out of it.

"She got along extremely well with little people," continues Malayter. "And when we were asked to start visiting at a retirement facility, I thought, *This is going to be interesting: we'll have run the gamut of the age groups.*"

Not surprisingly, Murphy got along beautifully with the elderly, even helping some Alzheimer's patients to have moments of lucidity. Encouraged by their visits to nursing homes, Malayter began considering how much potential Murphy had and how it might be used. "I wanted something a little bit more advanced, something in between the hug-and-pet activities and a service dog," she says. But when Malayter began contacting hospitals, the veterinary school at the University of

Wisconsin, and the humane society, she found that nothing more than those experiences they'd already explored existed in the state of Wisconsin.

Then Malayter had an experience that she deems quite serendipitous. In 1994, while visiting her father, who was undergoing rehabilitation after knee replacement surgery in a hospital in Clearwater, Fla., she thought she glimpsed a black Lab walking down the hall. When a second look confirmed the sighting, Malayter went into action. "I proceeded to leap up from my chair in the waiting room and corner the handler of the dog. I discovered at that point what animal-assisted therapy is all about. Until then, I had no idea that this existed, and it was just exactly what I was looking for."

After tagging along with the trainer for more than a week, watching and learning how she and her dog were working with therapists and physicians, Malayter returned to Wisconsin. She contacted the trainer she and Murphy had worked with for some time, and they began to incorporate those skills into their work.

Then, in another fortuitous event, Malayter was shopping at a pet supply store when she spied a calendar produced by the Delta Society, an international nonprofit organization.

The Delta Society's Pet Partners program trains volunteers and screens their pets for animal-assisted activities, defined as "... the casual meet-and-greet activities that involve pets visiting people." Delta also trains and screens for animal-assisted therapy, in which the animal and handler become part of a traditional therapy program—physical, occupational, speech or psychological—assisting therapists in helping patients reach specific goals and measuring their progress.

DR. DOG DEBUTS

The Delta Society put Malayter in touch with the training she'd been seeking. Not content with the home-study video course, she and Murphy went to Illinois for a training program and ultimately trained at the Chicago Institute of Rehabilitation and also in Wyoming and Georgia. Malayter explains that animal-assisted therapy is quite common in some areas of the country, including the Pacific Northwest, California, the East Coast, and the Southeast, but not in Wisconsin. However, as Malayter and Murphy began their therapy work in the private nursing home in which they had made Love-a-Pet visitations, word of the state's first animal-assisted therapy team began to spread in its health-care and veterinary communities.

Not long after Murphy received a standing ovation at a demonstration for Meriter Hospital's rehabilitation unit staff, Malayter and Murphy began volunteering in the physical therapy unit. Today the team works two days each week in physical therapy and is on call 24 hours a day for the hospital's intensive care unit.

One of the reasons animal-assisted therapy is so effective is that working with a dog is very natural for patients, Malayter says. "The dog is the motivator," explains Malayter. "The patient is no longer concentrating on the difficulty of the skill or the pain, but on keeping the dog happy, making that tail wag." She further notes that all kinds of things can be incorporated into animal-assisted therapy to improve gross and

fine motor skills, even speech—from buckling the dog's collar to announcing the intention to hand off a football to the dog to reaching for a particular color of leash. "That last effort requires balance, but it's a normal activity and the patient is thinking *Oh boy, I get to take the dog for a walk.*"

Another reason for animal-assisted therapy's success is that the animal is giving absolutely unconditionally to the patient. "The animal is an uncritical being," says Malayter. "It doesn't care what the patient looks like, how well or poorly he speaks, or how coordinated he is."

Also essential is that dog and owner function as a single entity. "They have to be able to anticipate each other's moves and be very predictable. I can look at Murphy and know exactly what she's going to do," Malayter says, adding, "Most of the time. Every once in a while she will throw me for a loop and will decide on her own that she's going to take the therapy in a totally different direction."

UNCONDITIONAL INSPIRATION

One such time Malayter recalls was during an integrated session involving speech and physical therapy. Several patients were handling a football, announcing what they planned to do before throwing or placing the football, with Murphy returning it to a stool within reach of a patient. After several rounds, Malayter says Murphy took the situation into her own paws. "She had the football in her mouth. All of a sudden she looked at me, looked at the therapist and walked over to one of the patients and put the ball at his feet. We all just cracked up, but she walked back to where we were and wouldn't put the ball back on the stool. Finally, the fellow said 'Oh, well,' and bent over and picked up the ball. They had been trying to get him to do that and he wouldn't before."

Another case in which Murphy literally took the therapy another step involved Megan, a cerebral palsy patient, with whom Murphy still works today. In a dramatic session, four-year-old Megan, who had never taken a step, agreed to take a couple toward Murphy. As she neared the dog, Murphy, without

receiving a signal from Malayter, took a step backward and continued backing up, with Megan moving toward her. When Murphy suddenly sat down, somehow knowing just how far Megan could go, Malayter, the therapist, and Megan's mother were in tears. "That was an incredible experience," says Malayter. "It was very emotional."

The Murphy and Malayter Team's success also has inspired many other pet owners in the Madison area. "When I became involved in our Love-a-Pet group, which is now an affiliate of Delta, we had 19 volunteers," says Malayter. "We're well over 90 at this point. We have facilities on the waiting list and waiting lists of people who would give their eyeteeth to be part of this."

Of those 90 volunteers, about 50 teams indicated an interest in being screened for training in animal-assisted therapy. Three were chosen. "They are terribly rigorous screenings," explains Malayter, who has also become an evaluator for Delta, determining if an animal is going to meet national criteria for therapy work.

"The dog has to be extremely steady. It has to inspire confidence with the patient. It has to be terribly disciplined, highly trained, unflappable and have a terrific amount of concentration so that sights, smells, and distractions are not going to make the dog forget what it's doing and why it's there."

TOP DOG

Murphy is now a mentor for two golden retrievers and another Labrador. They will spend 100 hours training with her and Malayter, who says that although retrievers are intrinsically amenable to this type of work, not all dogs or people are cut out for it. "You have to be willing to put in an inordinate amount of time training, researching, and learning to do everything absolutely correctly," she says. "You spend a lot of time at the hospital and once you start, you have to be committed, because the hospital comes to depend on you."

Malayter's motivation to train other teams lies in her commitment to the ongoing existence of animal-assisted therapy. "If anything happened to Murphy or to me, there's nobody else doing this in Wisconsin," she explains. "I'm not taking any chances. I'm training

other dogs so the program doesn't die."

Because Malayter knows that Murphy will not be able to continue their stressful pace as the dog gets older, recently she has considered getting a puppy for she and Murphy to train. But, regardless of whether another dog is in their future, Malayter plans to continue the work she and Murphy started. "This is my therapy too," she explains. "There's absolutely no greater therapy than helping somebody else."

Word of Malayter and the miraculous Murphy has spread beyond Wisconsin, and both woman and dog have had a ball with their recent celebrity status. Murphy, who is in the Veterinary Hall of Fame and is a Wisconsin Veterinary Medicine Professional Dog, was featured on Animal Planet's *K-9 to 5 Working Dogs* television series.

In 1998, when Murphy was named the Delta Society's National Therapy Animal, she and Malayter flew to Seattle to be honored. Murphy had her own seat in the airplane cabin and the two were met at the jet way with a VIP cart, which carried them to the airline's club area where Murphy enjoyed a bowl of water, rather than a martini. "There we were, tooling through O'Hare Airport, with Murphy sitting right next to me, as proud as can be," recalls Malayter.

Later, when their flight from Chicago to Seattle was delayed and passengers were growing restless, the flight crew announced that Murphy, the National Therapy Dog, was aboard, inviting her to walk down the aisle. Malayter says, "People applauded and were taking pictures and shaking paws with the celebrity dog. When we moved into first class, the cockpit door opened and the flight crew came out and said, 'If anybody needs therapy, it's us!' I couldn't go into the cockpit because it's against FAA regulations, but Murphy could."

Back home in Wisconsin, the dynamic dog-and-owner duo continue their more routine, but no less rewarding, regimen, helping and inspiring others by sharing their unique gifts and hard-earned expertise. Their discipline befits the most dedicated Type-A Labrador retriever, while their joie de vivre would make the most fun-loving golden retriever proud. ■



Kites on the Horizon

THIS FALL, THETA KITES WILL BE FLYING OVER TWO NEW COLONIES, ONE ON THE EAST COAST AND ONE ON THE WEST COAST.

IN THE EAST, we will establish a chapter at the University of Central Florida, one of the fastest growing universities in the US. Since it opened in 1968, UCF's enrollment has increased by more than 90 percent.

Located 13 miles from downtown Orlando, UCF is one of 10 universities in Florida's state university system. Academic programs include 74 baccalaureate programs, 54 master's programs, three specialist programs, and 15 doctoral programs.

UCF is already home to eight NPC women's groups. The average chapter size in 1999 was 150, demonstrating the demand for the opportunities Greek groups provide. UCF was named "The Best Greek Community" for 1999-2000 by *Florida Leader Magazine*.

In October, following formal Panhellenic recruitment, Theta will recruit both upperclass and first-year students.

ON THE WEST COAST, Theta will colonize a chapter at the University of San Diego. USD, a Catholic university, is located on a 180-acre campus in the center of the city and offers views of San Diego Bay and the Pacific Ocean.



*University of
Central Florida*

Founded in 1949, USD seeks to provide a friendly campus atmosphere, rigorous intellectual challenges, and broad personal and professional development for students and employees. The university includes schools of arts and sciences, business administration, education, law, and nursing and health science. In 1996, USD became the center of national attention when it hosted one of the presidential debates.

Four NPC women's groups currently have chapters at USD. Membership in these groups totals more than 400.

Theta will recruit upperclass women at USD this fall; in January we will participate in formal Panhellenic recruitment at which point we will be able to recruit first-year students.



THE FRATERNITY IS CURRENTLY SEEKING ALUMNAE in San Diego and Orlando to serve as advisers and to serve on the facility corporation boards for these new chapters. If you are interested in helping with either chapter or know of someone who may be interested, please send an e-mail message to cmclaughlin@kappaalphatheta.org or leave a voice-mail message at 888-526-1870, extension 314 (USD) or 316 (UCF).

We are also very interested in receiving references for incoming and current upperclass unaffiliated women at both campuses. Please spread the word to send any reference for potential new members at UCF or USD to Fraternity headquarters.

Look for more information about Theta extension at USD and UCF in future issues of *The Magazine* and on the Fraternity's website. ■

IN MEMORIAM

Leslie Cain Poteet (Mrs. Timothy)
Baylor 1978; January 2000

Marie Elizabeth Hill Neuman (Mrs. Paul W.)
Butler 1929; April 2000

Janet West Stackhouse (Mrs. Robert)
Butler 1949; February 2000

Louise Morris Guckenberger (Mrs. Herman)
Cincinnati 1934; January 2000

Virginia Lee Harlan
Colorado College 1937; January 2000

Clara Reinholtz Anderson (Mrs. Joseph)
Colorado State 1924; December 1999

Jane Gibbs McAteer (Mrs. J. Howard)
Cornell 1931; February 2000

Helen Symons Paige (Mrs. Fred)
DePauw 1940

Charlo Holden Smith (Mrs. Knowles)
DePauw 1935; January 2000

Margaret Evans Allan (Mrs. John T.)
Denison 1940; January 2000

Kathrine Rohrer Hazlett (Mrs. Paul H.)
Denison 1929; December 1999

Harriette McCann Roudebush (Mrs. George)
Denison 1929; March 2000

Julie Ann Stubbs
Denison 1960; October 1999

Priscilla Stokes Wright (Mrs. Charles)
Denison 1944; September 1997

Marjorie Arthur Bush (Mrs. Robert)
Duke 1949; January 2000

Joan Burns Staas (Mrs. Carl)
Georgia 1952; March 2000

Maurine Taylor Coon (Mrs. Byron)
Illinois 1925; December 1999

Emily Johnson Gillespie (Mrs. James)
Illinois 1928; February 2000

Virginia Benjamin Williams Likar (Mrs. James)
Indiana 1937; December 1999

Mary White McBean (Mrs. Preston)
Indiana 1919; January 2000

Elizabeth Steely Woodward (Mrs. Mark A.)
Indiana 1942; January 2000

Audrey Ivins Nigh (Mrs. Samuel)
Iowa 1934; January 2000

Elizabeth Moore Brownlee (Mrs. Rollins)
Kansas 1922; September 1996

Marilyn McBride Farley (Mrs. John)
Kansas 1939; March 2000

Mary Anne Clardy Hanna
Kansas 1949; January 2000

Jeanne Peterson Honsinger
Kansas 1948; December 1999

Margaret Brown Torrey (Mrs. Alden)
Kansas 1917; March 2000

Frances Morley Gerlach Stein (Mrs. Thomas)
Massachusetts (D) 1944; January 2000

Marguerite Widman Appleford (Mrs. Alexander)
Michigan 1926; March 2000

Jane Fletcher Eberts (Mrs. Jerome W.)
Michigan 1933; January 2000

Elaine Jacobs Hoagland (Mrs. Edwin)
Michigan 1937; January 2000

Marguerite Luger Holton (Mrs. Robert)
Minnesota 1936; January 2000

Cindy Harvey Daube (Mrs. Daniel)
Mississippi 1984; February 2000

Marlys Haney Coil (Mrs. James)
Montana 1954; August 1999

Jean Willis Douglas (Mrs. Ronald)
Nebraska 1936; February 2000

Margaret Duffy Eggleston (Mrs. Donald)
North Dakota 1937; April 2000

Nancy Ulman Soehren (Mrs. Wayne)
North Dakota State 1977; July 1999

Henrietta Underwood Clausen (Mrs. Donald)
Northwestern 1925; January 2000

Gloria Forbrich Taylor (Mrs. Herbert)
Northwestern 1918; February 2000

Jean Rittenour Beegle (Mrs. Charles W.)
Ohio State 1942; December 1999

Lelia McDermott Devoe (Mrs. Keith)
Ohio State 1924; January 2000

Eugenia "Jeanne" Becker Harper (Mrs. Henry Holmes)
Ohio State 1927; January 2000

Helen J. Jones
Ohio State 1931; October 1999

Louise Johnson Miller (Mrs. Paul)
Ohio State 1926; March 2000

Marion Parson Alden (Mrs. Vernon)
Ohio Wesleyan 1947; August 1999

Barbara Fenton Kendall (Mrs. Robert)
Ohio Wesleyan 1945; February 2000

Kathryn Parker Kruse (Mrs. John)
Ohio Wesleyan 1928; February 2000

Marjorie Postance von Komaromy (Mrs. Geza)
Ohio Wesleyan 1924; November 1999

Adelaide Carder Lutz (Mrs. Charles)
Oklahoma 1925; January 2000

Carolyn Fought McCurdy (Mrs. Robert E.)
Oklahoma 1942; December 2000

Marjorie Mounger Dykeman (Mrs. W. Samuel)
Oklahoma State 1948; February 2000

Beatrice Dilliner Pitts (Mrs. Real)
Oklahoma State 1927; January 2000

Carol Werschkul Frazier (Mrs. Wallace)
Oregon (D) 1930; November 1999

Elizabeth (Betty) Rebec Van Nice (Mrs. Robert L.)
Oregon (D) 1929; February 2000

Eunice Cottrell Brandt (Mrs. Philip)
Oregon State 1935; January 2000

Dolores Samuelson Medhus (Mrs. Sigurd)
Oregon State 1949; October 1998

Caroline Crooks Stearns (Mrs. Donald)
Penn State 1944; April 2000

Emily Irwin Reeser (Mrs. Dick M.)
Pittsburgh (D) 1927; February 2000

Ruth Rabbe Hager (Mrs. Virgil)
Purdue 1925; March 2000

Willie Burkart Metzger (Mrs. James)
Purdue 1945; March 2000

Joan Irons Woolery (Mrs. R. Phillip)
Purdue 1944; January 2000

Eleanor Robinson Hartwig (Mrs. Ralph)
Randolph-Macon Woman's C. (D) 1934; November 1999

Gladys Doty Lindsey (Mrs. James)
Randolph-Macon Woman's C. (D) 1927; February 2000

Paula Hickman Watson (Mrs. Jim)
Southern Methodist 1958; January 2000

Kathryn Larkin Cray (Mrs. Robert C.)
Stanford 1942; January 2000

Doris Conner Hornbecker (Mrs. Paul M.)
Stanford 1928; January 2000

Marjorie Gere Cloyes
Syracuse 1942; May 1999

Cynthia Wickwire Taylor
Syracuse 1933; August 1999

Jane Brainard Andrus (Mrs. Homer)
Texas 1937; March 2000

Loring Smith Harris (Mrs. Brice)
Texas 1921; April 1999

Mildred Jones Mahone (Mrs. Edwin)
Texas 1921; March 2000

Margaret Gray Shepherd (Mrs. Jack M.)
Texas 1934; January 2000

Gladys Eleanor Elliott
Toronto (D) 1916; October 1999

Euphemie Walker Gilday (Mrs. Thomas)
Toronto (D) 1927; February 2000

Caryl Julius Gillies (Mrs. David)
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Charlotte Bohr Mumper (Mrs. Arthur)
UC-Los Angeles 1935; February 1999

Vi-Stan Chisholm Watson (Mrs. Kellar)
UC-Los Angeles 1932; December 1999

Elizabeth Flick Swinehart (Mrs. Howard)
UC-Santa Barbara 1950; January 1999

Elizabeth Rogers Warmington (Mrs. Richard)
USC 1935; January 2000

Hilda Woodruff Goodwin (Mrs. Albert)
Vermont 1920; October 1999

Nancy Dorman Weess (Mrs. Alan)
Vermont 1945; April 2000

Eleanor Schriver Gibson (Mrs. Philip)
Washburn 1929; January 2000

Harrilyn Jones Brickey (Mrs. Raymond)
Washington 1930; January 2000

Caroline Dawson Heller (Mrs. Christopher)
Washington & Lee 1990; January 2000

Elizabeth Endslo Cross (Mrs. John)
Washington State 1949; January 2000

Margrethe Klasell Dosskey (Mrs. Charles)
Washington State 1942; March 2000

Katherine Kulzer King (Mrs. Cyril)
Washington State 1925; January 1999

Barbara Johnston McCabe (Mrs. Chester)
Washington State 1951; May 1999

Patricia Kalkus Smith (Mrs. Roy)
Washington State 1941; February 2000

Barbara Chivvis Murphy (Mrs. Samuel)
Washington/St. Louis 1939; February 2000

Mary Anne Rich Lenz (Mrs. F. Lawrence)
Wisconsin 1945; January 2000

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Wisconsin 1932; March 2000

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Whitney Charlton Duggan

by Mary Hrdlicka Charlton

Patricia Cecil Edwards

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To: Thetas Everywhere
From: 1999-2000 Educational
Leadership Consultants
Subject: On the Road as an ELC

Everything I Need to Know About Life, I Learned as an Educational Leadership Consultant

On the road as an ELC, I have
learned life lessons that I could not
have acquired anywhere else.

I've learned...

- That everyone appreciates an open door.
- One hundred and one ways to wear a sweater set.
- That everyone does not love country music.
- To be adventurous and flexible.
- To eat when I'm given food because there's no way to know when my next meal will be!
- How satisfying a home-cooked meal tastes.
- To talk to strangers.
- That Febreeze is the best thing to happen to clothes.
- That eating out for a year is hard on the hips.
- To buy wrinkle-free fabrics or just wear wrinkled clothes because a travel iron is way too heavy and takes up way too much room.
- To check my bags curbside. There's no scale out there, and if you tip the skycap, he doesn't care how heavy your bags are!
- To pack my entire life in two suitcases and a computer bag, in ten minutes.
- To always travel with shower shoes.
- To expect the unexpected.
- That sometimes there's no right answer.
- Not to take myself too seriously and that laughter is the key to survival.
- To keep my head up or I will miss something.
- That memories are the most precious gifts.
- That people are people, no matter the region, state, or city.
- The power and comfort of a smile.
- That you can make lifelong friends in one week.
- That nothing is as it seems.
- That giving a little can mean a lot.
- How precious time alone can be and that having your own room is a blessing.
- Having a familiar face greet you as you get off the plane is the best feeling in the world!
- That photographs are never as vivid as your memories; sometimes you just have to pause and take a mental picture that will last a lifetime.
- That life is like recruitment—no matter how bad it gets, things will always work out.
- To really listen.
- That there are no limits to the dedication and time Theta volunteers invest.
- That Theta sisterhood transcends all.

And most of all - I've learned to be me!



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